

Rappahannock Rapidan Regional Commission
Rural Transportation Technical Committee
August 6, 2015
Minutes

Attendees: John Egertson (Culpeper County), Josh Frederick (Orange County), Patrick Mauney (RRRC), Dan Painter (VDOT), Marie Scheetz (Fauquier County), Jeff Walker (RRRC), Thomas Wysong (Orange County)

Welcome and Introductions, Agenda, Minutes, Matters from the Public

J Egertson called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

The agenda was approved as presented.

The minutes from the June 4, 2015 meeting were approved on a motion by M Scheetz, 2nd by D Painter.

There were no comments from the public.

HB2 & HB1887 Update and Discussion

P Mauney provided presentation on HB2, including timeline for applications, application materials and data requirements, correlation with VTrans 2040 and the Virginia Multimodal Transportation Plan Needs Assessment. The presentation is incorporated by reference and can be found at <http://www.rrregion.org/trancmte.html>.

The committee discussed the role of both the Regional Commission and the Rural Transportation Committee in developing, reviewing and endorsing projects. Projects located on Corridors of Statewide Significance (I-66, U.S. 17 or U.S. 29 corridors) require a Resolution of Support from the Regional Commission. While HB2 applications must be submitted by September 30, supporting resolutions can be received and submitted through December 1.

J Egertson and M Scheetz indicated their interest in receiving resolutions of support from the Regional Commission in advance of the September 30 application deadline. P Mauney indicated that the Regional Commission would meet on August 26 and might consider a resolution then, if project details were available at that time. The Regional Commission would not meet again in full until October 28. J Walker stated that Regional Commission staff will work with the localities to provide resolutions of support in advance of the September 30 deadline.

The committee discussed potential project submissions. M Scheetz stated that Fauquier County was likely going to submit the construction of an interchange at the southern entrance to Warrenton. This project was placed on hold when the HB2 legislation was passed, but the County considers this a high-priority project. Fauquier County is also considering advancing an expansion and upgrade of the Warrenton Park & Ride lot to the HB2 statewide high-priority program, as well as the Construction District Grant program.

J Egertson indicated that Culpeper County was in good shape, with many of its high priority projects already in construction. The County may consider a similar Park & Ride lot expansion project at the Brandy Station lot at Route 663 and Route 29. P Mauney offered to provide both

Culpeper and Fauquier counties with park & ride lot usage data collected by the Regional Commission's Commuter Services program in support of those applications.

J Frederick stated that Orange County would not be submitting a project during this cycle, but may have some applications for next year's cycle.

D Painter referenced two additional projects that may be submitted from the region. The Town of Warrenton may move forward with a project application for Broadview Avenue improvements, including access management and safety improvements. The Town of Culpeper has also discussed a potential project on Route 522 to include safety improvements. P Mauney will follow up with staff in both jurisdictions.

Regional Unpaved Roads Report

P Mauney provided copies of the recently completed inventory of regional unpaved roads. Data was sourced from Culpeper District staff which provided unpaved road listings, as well as programmed paving projects through each county's Secondary Six-Year Program, Rural Rustic and Revenue Sharing programs. These listings were compared with GIS data obtained from VDOT Central Office's Maintenance Division. There were many discrepancies between the data sets, and Regional Commission staff used the District data as the primary source for developing the final maps and inventory. P Mauney indicated that the inventory would be another data source for consideration when developing SSYPs and could facilitate cross-jurisdictional efforts at road upgrades.

J Egertson asked about the Average Annual Daily Traffic numbers, as some of the counts seemed high. P Mauney stated that the AADT counts came from Culpeper District, but that he would follow up with each county and Culpeper District staff to determine if there were any errors.

Planning Project Updates/Roundtable

J Frederick introduced Thomas Wysong. T Wysong recently joined Orange County as the County Planner.

Announcements & Other Business

The next Rural Transportation Committee is scheduled for **Thursday, October 1, 2015**.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.